## 1. Executive Summary

Yakima County was awarded more than \$48.7 million dollars from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) that was signed into law on March 11, 2021. Yakima County received \$24,364,569.50, or half of the award on June 7, 2021. Use of these funds is intended to support the specific impacts related to the COVID pandemic and to enhance the economic vitality of our community for years to come. Yakima County is a very low-income community and the use of these ARPA funds to support infrastructure that will enable our citizens the ability to have cleaner water and sewer services with the goal of public health is a priority. The County intends to work closely with the cities in our community to meet the goals of the funding and to promote the equitable outcomes for the residents we serve. At this time, Yakima County is still in a fact-finding process to develop strategies and work closely with our community partners to review funding options and develop scoring criteria to meet the Federal and local requirements. It is expected that the needs of the community will far exceed the funding provided to the County and our local cities, so there will be a need to develop scoring criteria to support the final funding allocations.

#### 2. Uses of Funds

At this time, there has been no use of the ARPA funds that have been received. Yakima County is still in the planning stage and will develop programs that meet the following requirements of the Federal funding:

- a. Public Health (EC 1)
- b. Negative Economic Impacts (EC 2)
- c. Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities (EC 3)
- d. Premium Pay (EC 4)
- e. Water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure (EC 5)
- f. Revenue Replacement EC 6)

As there have been no funds expended, there is no additional information to report at this time.

## 3. Promoting Equitable Outcomes

As part of the criteria for reviewing projects and uses of the ARPA funding, each project will be required to meet minimum criteria to be considered for funding. As part of the criteria, the County will use the funds to promote strong, equitable growth, including racial equity, as required by the Federal funding. We will look at negative economic impacts and services to disproportionately impacted communities. As of this report, there have been no specific goals developed to report.

### 4. Community Engagement

Yakima County will work with our local cities and partner with them to address critical issues within these incorporated jurisdictions, along with other diverse community service organizations, to understand the needs of our communities and how to best allocate resources that will benefit our County for years to come. Providing clean water, sanitary sewer services, access to affordable housing, and quality wages and benefits, has been an on-going concern for our communities and will continue to be a priority for these funds.

#### 5. Labor Practices

Washington State is a leader in developing workforce practices that promote strong employment opportunities for workers. The County will use the guidelines required by our State to continue to provide strong employment opportunities for our workers with project labor agreements and prevailing wage requirements.

#### 6. Use of Evidence

All requirements of projects and spending of the ARPA funds will meet requirements for the use of evidence-base interventions, or program evaluations will be conducted where required.

## 7. Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category

As there have been no project expenses to date, a copy of the categories that list the Cumulative Expenditures to Date and the Amount Spent since the Last Recovery Plan has been included but is left blank.

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
1	Expenditure Category: Public Health		
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination		
1.2	COVID-19 Testing		
1.3	COVID-19 Contact Tracing		
1.4	Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)		
1.5	Personal Protective Equipment		
1.6	Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)		
1.7	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency		

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
1.8	Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)		
1.9	Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19		
1.10	Mental Health Services		
1.11	Substance Use Services		
1.12	Other Public Health Services		
2	Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts		
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs		
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid		
2.3	Household Assistance: Cash Transfers		
2.4	Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs		
2.5	Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention		
2.6	Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers		
2.7	Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral jobtraining, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives)		
2.8	Contributions to UI Trust Funds*		
2.9	Small Business Economic Assistance (General)		
2.10	Aid to nonprofit organizations		
2.11	Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality		
2.12	Aid to Other Impacted Industries		
2.13	Other Economic Support		
2.14	Rehiring Public Sector Staff		
3	Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities		
3.1	Education Assistance: Early Learning		
3.2	Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts		
3.3	Education Assistance: Academic Services		
3.4	Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services		
3.5	Education Assistance: Other		
3.6	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care		
3.7	Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting		

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
3.8	Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System		·
3.9.	Healthy Childhood Environments: Other		
3.10	Housing Support: Affordable Housing		
3.11	Housing Support: Services for Unhoused persons		
3.12	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance		
3.13	Social Determinants of Health: Other		
3.14	Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators		
3.15	Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation		
3.16	Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions		
4	Expenditure Category: Premium Pay		
4.1	Public Sector Employees		
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to other employers		
5	Expenditure Category: Infrastructure		
5.1	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater treatment		
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater collection and conveyance		
5.3	Clean Water: Decentralized wastewater		
5.4	Clean Water: Combined sewer overflows		
5.5	Clean Water: Other sewer infrastructure		
5.6	Clean Water: Stormwater		
5.7	Clean Water: Energy conservation		
5.8	Clean Water: Water conservation		
5.9	Clean Water: Nonpoint source		
5.10	Drinking water: Treatment		
5.11	Drinking water: Transmission & distribution		
5.12	Drinking water: Transmission & distribution: lead remediation		
5.13	Drinking water: Source		
5.14	Drinking water: Storage		
5.15	Drinking water: Other water infrastructure		
5.16	Broadband: "Last Mile" projects		
5.17	Broadband: Other projects		
6	Expenditure Category: Revenue Replacement		
6.1	Provision of Government Services		
7	Administrative and Other		

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
7.1	Administrative Expenses		
7.2	Evaluation and data analysis		
7.3	Transfers to Other Units of Government		
7.4	Transfers to Nonentitlement Units		
	(States and Territories only)		

# 8. Project Inventory

At this time, a project inventory is not available as no requests have been reviewed/approved for funding. Future reports will include this information along with a project overview, goals of the project, information on project spending, and the amount of project spending that is allocated towards evidence-based interventions for each project in the Public Health (EC 1), Negative Economic Impacts (EC 2), and Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities (EC 3) Expenditure Categories.

### 9. Performance Report/Required Performance Indicators and Programmatic Data

At this time, there are no Performance Report or Required Performance Indicators available as there have been no projects that have been funded from these ARPA proceeds.